Senate Bill No. 460

CHAPTER 259

An act to amend Sections 4017.1 and 5071 of the Penal Code, relating to personal information.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 460, Margett. Offender access to personal information.

Existing law prohibits offenders who are confined in county facilities, or the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for specified offenses, from performing work that would give them access to the personal information of private persons, as specified.

This bill would preclude any offender confined in a county facility, or the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from gaining access to personal information, as specified.

By directing county agencies to limit who may participate in county and community work programs, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4017.1 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

4017.1. (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), any person confined in a county jail, industrial farm, road camp, or city jail who is required or permitted by an order of the board of supervisors or city council to perform work, and any person while performing community service in lieu of a fine or custody, or who is assigned to work furlough, may not be employed to perform any function that provides access to personal information of private individuals, including, but not limited to: addresses; telephone numbers; health insurance, taxpayer, school, or employee identification numbers; mothers' maiden names; demand deposit account, debit card, credit card, savings, or checking account numbers, PINs, or passwords; social security numbers; places of employment; dates of birth; state or government issued driver's license or identification

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numbers; alien registration numbers; government passport numbers; unique biometric data, such as fingerprints, facial scan identifiers, voice prints, retina or iris images, or other similar identifiers; unique electronic identification numbers; address or routing codes; and telecommunication identifying information or access devices.

- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), persons assigned to work furlough programs may be permitted to work in situations that allow them to retain or look at a driver's license or credit card for no longer than the period of time needed to complete an immediate transaction. However, no person assigned to work furlough shall be placed in any position that may require the deposit of a credit card or driver's license as insurance or surety.
- (b) Any person confined in a county jail, industrial farm, road camp, or city jail who has access to any personal information shall disclose that he or she is confined before taking any personal information from anyone.
- (c) This section shall not apply to inmates in employment programs or public service facilities where incidental contact with personal information may occur.
 - SEC. 2. Section 5071 of the Penal Code is amended to read:
- 5071. (a) The Secretary of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall not assign any prison inmate to employment that provides that inmate with access to personal information of private individuals, including, but not limited to: addresses; telephone numbers; health insurance, taxpayer, school, or employee identification numbers; mothers' maiden names; demand deposit account, debit card, credit card, savings, or checking account numbers, PINs, or passwords; social security numbers; places of employment; dates of birth; state or government issued driver's license or identification numbers; alien registration numbers; government passport numbers; unique biometric data, such as fingerprints, facial scan identifiers, voice prints, retina or iris images, or other similar identifiers; unique electronic identification numbers; address or routing codes; and telecommunication identifying information or access devices.
- (b) Any person who is a prison inmate, and who has access to any personal information, shall disclose that he or she is a prison inmate before taking any personal information from anyone.
- (c) This section shall not apply to inmates in employment programs or public service facilities where incidental contact with personal information may occur.
- SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.